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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Christopher H. Contag, et al.

SERIAL No.: 08/270,631

FILED: July 1, 1994

For: Non-Invasive Localization

of a Light-Emitting

Conjugate in a Mammal

EXAMINER: B. Campell

ART UNIT: 1804



## Response to Restriction Requirement

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated August 2, 1995 in the above-identified application, the applicant makes the following elections.

The Examiner has divided the claims into the following groups: I. Claims 1-16, drawn to methods of detecting localization and level of biocompatible entities in mammals; II. Claims 17 and 18, drawn to methods for detecting transgene integration and expression in transgenic animals; and III. Claim 19, drawn to Salmonella transformed with a gene encoding a light expressing protein.

The applicant elects to begin prosecution with examination of Claims 1-16, Group I, without traverse.

No fees are believed due in connection with this response. However, should fees be found to be due in respect thereof, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge such fee or fees to counsel's Deposit Account No. 04-0531. A duplicate copy of this response is provided.

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